

I am Ronald Rossi an extra class amateur radio operator. I have read the comments on RM-10412 submitted on 18 April 2002. I am in agreement with the so far unanimous comments to deny this petition.

I would like to further add that the ability to communicate in an emergency is furthered by having reliable equipment. Modern manufacturing techniques are very reliable. Because of the economic benefits of these techniques replacement equipment is very affordable. It has made the entire transceiver a field replaceable unit in many cases. It is much more effective to have a second or third unit available, rather than the components to repair a faulty one.

Regarding the educational benefits of more simply constructed amateur radios, I would submit that this is a business opportunity. In order to further the knowledge of radio circuits and devices Mr. Leggett, or anyone else for that matter, could start a company specializing in field servicable radios.

Respectfully submitted,

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